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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Thursday, the 27th Dec., and on Friday, the 29th Dec., at 10 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 3rd Jan., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Half of Lading will be counter-signed by the undersigned.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 17, 1899. 943

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Calcutta, Captain Kewer, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from the Godowns.

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All Broken, Chafed, and damaged Goods, are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st Instant, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 14, 1899. 2934

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here after which no Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, December 15, 1899. 2939

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM NEW YORK AND STRAITS.

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The Review department receives special attention, and endeavors are made to present a careful and concise record of literature on China, etc., and to give original notes of travel by well-known writers. The papers are contributed by the members of the various Consular, the Imperial Customs, and Hongkong Service, and also by the Missionary bodies amongst whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is occasionally cultivated. Amongst the regular contributors are: Dr. Chalmers, E. H. Reischauer, and Dr. H. H. Reischauer, and Messrs. Balfour, Watson, B. Phillips, MacIntyre, Groot, Jamieson, Fisher, Knapton, Parker, Playfair, Giles, Piton, and Taylor, all well-known names, indicative of sound scholarship and thorough mastery of their subject.

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'The November-December number of the China Review contains less variety than usual, but the few articles are very interesting. The opening paper by Mr. Harbord, on "The New Testament in Chinese," is a treatise of a question that must necessarily be of great importance in the eyes of all missionaries. Mr. R. H. Parker's "Short Journeys in Szechuan" are continued, and a goodly instalment of these travels in the interior of China is given. Mr. F. H. Baldwin contributes a paper of some interest, entitled "The Emperor Cheng, founder of the Chinese Empire," which will be read with genuine interest by students of Chinese history. A few short notices of New Books and a number of Notes and Queries, one of which on "On Chinese Castles in Western Borneo" and "Java" might appropriately have been placed under a separate heading, complete the number.'—H.K. Daily Press.

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LATEST exchanges from Foochow report the successful rehearsal of 'Sweet Lavender' by the Foochow A.D.O.

A NORTHERN contemporary reports that the Emperor of China is in perfect health. He speaks little, but smiles at times!

The cricket match, Hongkong C. C. v. The Navy, was finished this afternoon, resulting in a win for the Club by 273 runs to 186.

Major-General Gascoigne, General Black's successor in the Hongkong and China command, is a passenger by the next P. and O. mail steamer. He is accompanied by Mrs. Gascoigne.

On the 29th November, the Governor of British North Borneo presented the Royal Humane Society's bronze medal and certificate to Mr. E. de Mattos, of the s.s. *Hecula*, for saving the life of a Mr. Roberts at Darvel Bay.

The stamp revenue last month was \$24,612.15 as against \$20,512.30 in the corresponding month of last year. There were increases in 26 items, amounting to \$2,701.08, and decreases in 14 items, amounting to \$8,801.84; \$9,270.41 of the latter amount occurring under the head of *franchise*.

Titan will be a Hockey Match to-morrow, on the Club ground at 4.30 p.m. sharp. Club v. Royal Artillery. The following are the Club team:—Messrs Cox, Gerard, Koehover, Lethbridge, Lloyd, Morrah, Morrell, Parker, Pinkney, Riddle and Wodehouse. The Club play the Maxims on Thursday, the 22nd inst.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that Wongnong chong inland lot No. 126, which was sold by auction on the 23rd December, 1893, has been re-entertained and resumed by the Crown and that the premium paid upon the purchase has been wholly forfeited to Her Majesty in accordance with condition 6 of the conditions of sale under which the lot was sold.

FOURTEEN subscription griffins having arrived per steamer *Chai Yang* they were drawn for at Kennedy's town depot on Saturday afternoon, the drawers being the Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving (two), Mr. J. McKie (two), Mr. F. H. Hohnke (two), Mr. D. Nowledge, Mr. G. C. Fullerton, Mr. R. Sheehan, Mr. Paul Jordan, Captain the Hon. H. Lambdon, Dr. Jordan, Mr. A. Fuchs, and Mr. J. H. Lewis.

A BALVAY party under the direction of Mr. Moulds, the Manager of the Tanjong Pagar Dock Co., was to leave Singapore on the afternoon of the 10th December for Labuan in the Company's tug-boat *Mercury*, with pumps and other necessary gear, to render assistance to the s.s. *Abana*, which has been wrecked near Labuan while on a voyage to Port Arthur, laden with coal.

It is taking leave of the *Memnon* on the Borneo run, the *N. V. Herald* says:—We may express a hope that those who may command her successor on the line will be as popular and obliging as those who ran her for so many years between Sandakan and Hongkong—Captains Branch, Mcgrigg and Fullan. Thirty-seven years in a good life for a steamer now-a-days, but that vessel, probably, has a long run yet before her.

The following despatch from Viscount Cough to the Marquis of Salisbury, dated Berlin, 21st October, is published in the *Gazette*:—With reference to Sir P. Lascelles' despatch No. 252 of the 6th ultimo, I have the honour to inform your Lordship that it is stated in the *Colonial Gazette* that within the territory included in the free port to Kiaochau, no duties will be levied on goods to be consumed in the German district, with the exception of an excise duty on opium. Only goods in transit from and to Chinese territory will be subjected to duty, according to the rates fixed by the Treaties.

On Saturday, the second match of the polo tournament was played by teams from the Royal Artillery and The King's Own, present holders of Hon. F. H. May's Cup. The Royal Artillery were 'at home,' and among a large attendance of visitors were H. E. Sir H. Blake and Maj.-General Black. The teams were:—R.A.—Hudson, Simmonds, Loring, Burney; K.O.R.—Woodgate, Johnson, Paton, Laurie. When time was called after a hard exciting game the score stood—K.O.R., 1-2; R.A., 1-2. The goals were widened and play resumed on the understanding that the first to score won the match. After some good gilling play up and down, the R.A. pressed hard, and after twice hitting the ball behind the line, Burney hit the winning stroke. Score: K.O.R., 1-2; R.A., 2-2.

It is reported that missionaries of various denominations have recently been variously persecuted in several districts of Hunan province, and the Viceroy Chang Chih-tung has been so impressed with the necessity of taking steps to prevent trouble that he has despatched special officers and troops to the threatened districts to maintain order and protect the foreigners.—*China Gazette*.

FRENCH DEMANDS IN CHINA.

UNBESINESS AT SHANGHAI.

THREATENED FORCIBLE EXTENSION OF FRENCH SETTLEMENT.

RUSSIAN CRUISERS AT SHANGHAI.

(Special Telegram from Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 10, 3.37 p.m.

The menacing attitude of the French is causing grave uneasiness here.

It is reported that Count de Bezobre, the French Consul-General, has been instructed by his Government to ignore the agreement between the Ningpo Guild and the former French Consul at Shanghai, guaranteeing the inviolability of the cemetery, of which the French intend to take possession.

Such a step will certainly result in serious bloodshed.

The French authorities have been further exasperated by the Chinese of ring to extend the general Foreign Settlements so as to enclose the French Settlement on every side, which would prevent the projected expansion of Frenchtown.

Two Russian cruisers anchored opposite the French Settlement yesterday, but it is believed the Russians will not support the Count de Bezobre's claims.

The Count is still at Nanking with the cruiser *Desbarres*.

THE REBELLION IN CENTRAL CHINA.

FRENCH PRIEST MURDERED.

CHIANGYANG CAPTURED.

(Special Telegram from Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 19, 5.30 p.m.

Yu-mantse's followers have seized the town of Chiangyang, about fifty miles south-west of Ichang, and massacred one hundred converts, together with a French priest named Victorin.

THE NEGOTIATIONS AT NANKING.

MOVEMENTS OF FOREIGN WARSHIPS.

The Russian cruiser *Gremiaty* with M. Pavloff on board, has gone to Nanking.

The Japanese cruiser *Tsukushi*, followed.

H.M.S. *Iphigenia* is already at Nanking.

A DISASTROUS EXPLOSION.

HANGCOW POWER MAGAZINE BLOWN UP.

(Special Telegram to the 'China Mail'.)

SHANGHAI, December 17.

The powder magazine in the vicinity of Hangchow exploded at 3 p.m. on the 16th inst. Hundreds of houses were destroyed, and it is feared there has been considerable loss of life.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL'.]

LONDON, December 16.

SIR WILLIAM HARCOURT'S RESIGNATION.

Sir William Harcourt, in two additional letters, says he hopes to serve his party as an independent member, and that the situation rendered his resignation indispensable.

THE NIGER CONVENTION.

A protocol has been signed in Paris extending (Semester 7) the term for the ratification of the Niger Convention.

[This may mean that the ratification is postponed for six months, or that the Convention may be brought up half yearly for ratification or further postponement. The French word 'semestre' may be translated half-yearly or half-yearly.—En., G.M.]

(Special Telegram to the 'N.C. Daily News'.)

YU MAN-TZE'S PROGRESS.

CHUNGKING, 12th December.

The Chinese General Chou has been captured by Yu Man-tze. There is reason to believe that force will be used to suppress the brigands, but it is not safe to rely upon the troops.

PIANO Tuning and Repairs, New Music, Mandolins, Banjos, fine stock.—Robinson Piano Co.

It may not perhaps be known that there are now, or in process of erection, no less than seven factories for the making of smokeless powder in this country, viz.:—Wuchang, Nanjing, Shanghai, Soochow, Hangchow, Canton, and Kiochow. It is officially estimated that by the summer of 1899 these factories will be able to turn out about 50,000 casks of smokeless powder per month, and that at the present date of writing the Government has ready for immediate use over two million smokeless powder cartridges, one half of which were imported from Europe.—*N.C. Daily News*.

THE REGATTA.

OUR FIFTEENTH 'TRIP'.

Our Tipster having carefully assigned the programme of the Regatta gives to us his opinion from the appearance of the teams as to what the following will be the results:—

First Day.

CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE CUP.

Robt. A. A. Alves (stroke) 1

Leah, A. A. Alves (stroke) 2

Leah, W. Armstrong (stroke) 3

Leah, A. A. Alves (stroke) 4

Griffiths' Ten Rows 5

W. S. Bailey 6

P. Hyndman 7

M. E. Asper 8

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VICTORIA REGATTA.

TUESDAY, 20th, & WEDNESDAY, 21st December.

CAPTAIN BORLAND having kindly lent the Victoria Recreation Club the British ship Kensington as Flagship, the Committee request the pleasure of the Company of the Ladies of Hongkong on board on the occasion of the ANNUAL REGATTA.

Through the courtesy of the Chief Manager of the Dock Company, the Fume will convey passengers to the Flagship each day, leaving the NEW PADDOCK WHARF at 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m., and returning 10 minutes after the last flag.

The Ladies' Prize will be presented on board the Flagship by Miss Blake on Tuesday.

Admission to the Flagship, \$1 each day. A Portion of the Flagship will be reserved for Ladies and their Friends.

TICKETS of Admission may be obtained from the S.W. Victoria Recreation Club, or on Board.

By kind permission of Major RATTALOR and the Officers, the BAND of the Hongkong Regiment will play on Tuesday and Wednesday.

W. S. BAILEY,
Acting Hon. Secretary,
VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.
Hongkong, December 16, 1898. 2402

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FOURTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 33 and 40, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, on FRIDAY, the 23rd day of December, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1898.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to 23rd instant, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, December 16, 1898. 2346

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING, WEAVING AND DYING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Final INSTALLMENT of \$30 per SHARE on the Shares in above Company becomes Due on the THIRTY-FIRST day of December next, and PAYMENT thereof must be made to the Bankers of the Company, viz., the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on or before that date.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, November 30, 1898. 2226

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself as ACCOUNTANT and AUDITOR. Accounts kept and audited, Balance Sheets drawn up, and all Accountant's work undertaken.

WM. H. GASKELL.
Letters should be addressed care of HONGKONG HOUSE.
Hongkong, November 15, 1898. 2178

NOTICE.

THE DISTRICT GRAND LODGE of Hongkong and South China will meet at the MARQUESS HALL on WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant, at 8 for 8.30 p.m. Visitors, and Master Masons of all Lodges are cordially invited to attend.

A. O. GOURDIN,
D. D. Secretary,
Hongkong, December 17, 1898. 2412

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself as MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT.

A. JUSTER.
Canton, December 16, 1898. 2398

PERSEVERANCE LODGE.

MASTER MASON of this LODGE are requested to attend an EMERGENCY MEETING of District Grand Lodge, on WEDNESDAY, 21st instant, at 8 p.m. for 8.30 p.m.

By Command of W. M.
Hongkong, December 17, 1898. 2411

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LONDON, &c.	Coromandel	MR. F. N. THILLER	About 29th December

* See Special Advertisement.

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Hongkong, December 17 1898. 2403

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REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, at Noon, on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 20th and 21st instant respectively.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., W. J. SAUNDERS, Acting Secretary, Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., W. H. PEROTIAD, Agent, North-China Insurance Co., Ltd., W. H. RAY, Secretary, China Traders Insurance Co., Ltd., SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents, Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd., G. L. TOMLIN, Acting Secretary, China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., W. H. T. DAVIS, Manager, The Straits Insurance Co., Ltd., Hongkong, December 14, 1898. 2341

REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, at Noon, on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 20th and 21st instant respectively.

For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,' T. F. SANSON, Acting Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,' T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the 'The National Bank of China, Limited,' GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Chief Manager.

For the 'The Mercantile Bank of India, Limited,' JOHN THURBUEN, Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Banque de L'Indo-Chine, Hongkong Agency,' F. AUGUSTIN, Manager.

For the 'Bank of China and Japan, Ltd., Hongkong,' E. L. HUNTER, Manager.

For the 'Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd., S. CHOH, Agent.

For the 'Imperial Bank of China,' E. W. RUPPER, Acting Manager, Hongkong.

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE WEEK DAYS.

7.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every quarter of an hour.

11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Every half hour.

12.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. Every quarter of an hour.

2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. Every quarter of an hour.

3.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. Every quarter of an hour.

4.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Every quarter of an hour.

5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. Every quarter of an hour.

6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Every quarter of an hour.